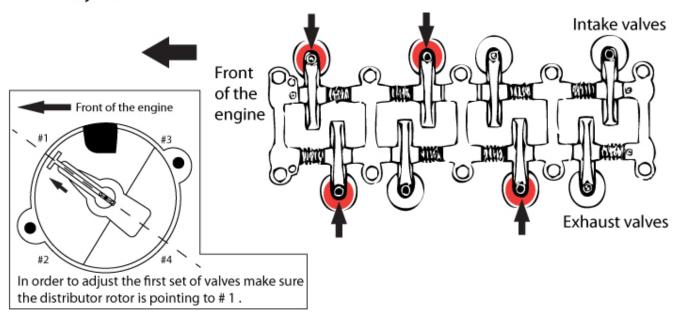


Valve Clearances Adjustment

Valve clearances: Intake=0.008" (0.2mm) Exhaust=0.012" (0.3mm)

- 1. Start the engine and allow it to reach normal operating temperature (required), then shut it off.
- 2. Be really careful because everything will be extremely hot.
- 3. Remove everything connected or in the way of the valve cover.
- 4. Remove valve cover and distributor cap.
- 5. Position the piston # 1 at TDC (Top Dead Center) on the compression stroke. That means the balancer mark on the crankshaft pulley aligns with the 0 mark on the timing tag, at the same time the rotor on the distributor has to point at # 1, position on the distributor cap. Both intake and exhaust valves are closed.
- 6. Make sure the rocker arms for the # 1 cylinder valves are loose and # 4 are tight. If they are not, the # 1 piston is not at TDC on the compression stroke.
- 7. Check/Adjust only the valves indicated by arrows in (illustration)

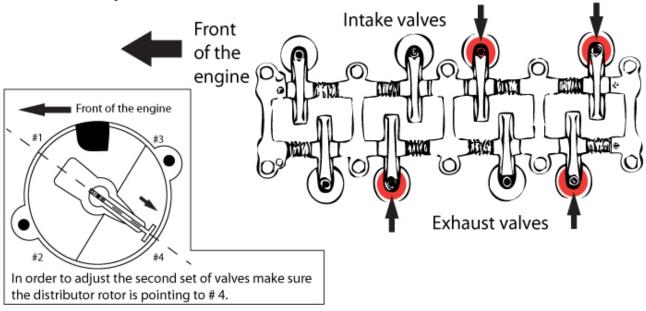
First Adjustment



- 8. The clearance is measured by inserting the specified size feeler gauge between the end of the valve stem and the adjusting screw. You should feel a <u>slight amount of drag</u> when the feeler gauge is moved back-and-forth.
- 9. If the gap is too large or too small, loosen the locknut and turn the adjusting screw to obtain the correct gap. (illustration).
- 10. Once the gap has been set, hold the screw in position with a screwdriver and retighten the locknut. Recheck the valve clearance and make sure it did not change when the locknut was being tightened. If so, re-adjust it until it is correct.

- 11. Repeat the procedure for the remaining valves (illustration 1), then turn the crankshaft one complete revolution (360°) and realign the notch in the pulley with the zero on the timing tag.
- 12. Adjust the valves indicated by arrows in this second picture.

Second Adjustment



- 13. Re-check Valve clearances and re-adjust if necessary.
- 14. Reinstall the valve cover, distributor cap and reconnect all hoses and wiring.

Valve Adjustment Tips:

- Inspect cam lobes for abnormal wear and valve adjusting screws for flat spots and pitting. If the screws are worn, this will make your valve adjustment inaccurate.
- To ensure a proper valve adjustment, LCE recommends always replacing your rocker arms every time you change your camshaft.

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